

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

A Very Bad Case.

What is it ails my dollie, dear?
I'm not quite sure I know,
She's very sick; and if she dies
'Twill be a fearful blow.

I think I'll send for Doctor Jones,
And Doctors Price and Bell;
They's hold a "consolation,"
And may be she'll get well.

—Selected.

DEAR EDITOR:—I thought I would write a letter for the Children's Column. I am ten years of age. I go to school, and study in the Grammar room. My studies are Fourth Reader, Arithmetic, Geography, Grammar, Writing and Spelling. I also go to Sunday School. My teacher's name is Jonas Keim. I like him very much. Well, this is all I have to write for this time. I wish to see this in print.

PERRY CLAPPER.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am fourteen years old. I have four brothers and two sisters. Papa and my oldest brother belong to the Brethren church and mamma and my oldest sister belong to the German Baptist. We go to hear Mr. E. B. Shaver. I like to him very much. I will close for this time.

JENNIE FUNK.

Tom's Brook, Va.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I go to school. I will be eight years old the 28th of this month. I have been out of school nearly all winter on account of sickness. I hope to be able to start to summer school. Our teacher's name is Edward Price. He is a good teacher. My grandpa and grandma Helmick, belong to the Brethren church, also my mamma. My pa does not belong to any church yet. Bro. Edward Mason is our pastor. We all like him. I have two little brothers and a sweet little sister. I will close by asking a question: Where in the Bible is the word parlor found? If this does not reach the waste basket I will write again.

From your little friend,

MAGGIE M. WATERHOUSE.

Pleasant Hill, O., March 10, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will endeavor to write a small message for the Children's Column, as you have not heard from me for a long time. We had very nice weather from the 21st, to the 27th, of March, on the 20th it rained but soon cleared off, the 26th it rained and snowed part of the time. I hope you are having nice weather. I am going to school every day. Our school will be out the fourteenth of April, and that will be all the school for this spring. Mr. A. E. Ewington is my teacher. I like him very well. He lives in Springfield, Ill. I study the Fourth and Fifth Reader, Grammar, Physiology, Arithmetic, History, Geography, Writing and did study Latin but quit it because it was almost too hard. I am thirteen years of age. Mr. Brook's of Springfield, is our superintendent. I like him very much. I will have to come to a close as it is very near dark and my page is pretty near full. All the folks have gone to hear Bro. Black preach tonight but the children. I will answer May Statler's question: The longest verse in the Bible is found in Esther 8:9. I will ask a question: How many and where is the word reverend found? Where is the middle verse in the Bible found? I will close for this time.

Yours truly,

JOHN BLACK.

Auburn, Ill., March 30, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I go to school every day. I missed two days. I am nine years old. There are four brothers of us. My studies are Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic and Writing. My teacher's name is Hank Stuffer. My papa and mamma belong to the Brethren church. We go to Dunlap to church. We have eight miles. We go as often as we can. I love to go. Bro. L. W. Ditch is our preacher and he is a good one. I

will close for this time. If I see this in print, I will write again. Good by editor,

OLIVE PALMER.

Elkhart, Ind., March 30, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am seven years old tomorrow the 28th, day of March. I did not go to school this winter. It was too cold. I will go this summer. I like to go to school and Sabbath School. I have two brothers and one little baby sister. Her name is Blanch and my brothers' names are LeRoy and Ordway. I am afraid I will write again. Good by,

STELA ALLENBAUGH.

Hudson, Iowa.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I have been thinking about writing for a long time, but I never wrote anything yet. My papa takes the EVANGELIST. I like to read the children's letters very well. I went to school this winter. My studies are Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Spelling and Geography. My teacher's name was Joshua Johnson. I have one sister. Her name is Bessie. I will close by asking a question: How old was Isaac when God commanded Abraham to offer him as a sacrifice.

ORASON DICKEY.

Yorkshire, O., March 19, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. I am nine years old. I go to school. My teacher's name is Agnes Wheeler. My studies are Spelling, Reading, Arithmetic, Geography and Writing. I have one brother Eddie. He is eleven years old. My pa takes the EVANGELIST. Excuse all mistakes. I will now draw my letter to a close for this time. Hoping to see it in print. Yours respectfully,

BERTHA M. CLARK.

Colfax, Mich., March 20, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—I thought that I would write a few lines for the Children's Column. I am ten years old. I go to school. My studies are Reading, Writing, Arithmetic and Spelling. My teacher's name is Miss Ida Harelson. I go to church and Sunday School. I have been reading the children's letters in the EVANGELIST. I will answer the question that Ella S. Cardiff could not find screech-owl Isaiah 34:14. I will close by asking a question: Who beat down the city and sowed it in salt? If I see this in print, I will write again.

MAUD E. WILSON.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will answer the question that was asked, to help the children. Which is the longest verse in the Bible? Esther 8:9 verse.

JANE EWING.

March 21, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—I thought I would write a few lines for the Children's Column, as I have not written for a long time. I love to read the Children's Column very much, though the children are all very strange to me. I am eleven years of age. I go to school every day. My teacher's name is A. J. Harsh and I like him very much. My studies are Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar, Arithmetic, Geography and History. Our winter school was out last Friday. We had a nice dinner. I have no brothers or sisters to go to school with me. I will close by asking a question: How old was Methuselah? Respectfully yours,

NANNIE HARTMAN.

Kewanna, Ind., March 3, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—I thought I would write a few lines for the Children's Column; as our school is out and I haven't much to do. I am sorry that it was out so soon. I had a declamation. The subject of it was, The teacher's dream. We scholars got a nice book for our teacher. The name of it was The life of Christ. We thought this book was the most appropriate one to lead his footsteps in the way of the Lord. He is a member of church and a respectable young man. Voigtie is sick today and I am helping to take care of him. Voigtie and I have got well of the measles and chicken-

pox. I will close by asking a question: Where is the word gate first mentioned in the Bible?

Your little reader.

ESTELLA C. STERLING.

Masontown, Pa., March 18, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the Children's Column. My pa takes the EVANGELIST, and I like to read the children's letters. I am nine years old. Our school has closed and I scarcely know what to do to pass the time. I have three brothers and one sister. I will close by asking a question: Who was born and never died? And May Statler I think you will find the answer to your question, where is the longest verse in the Bible found? The 8:9 of Esther.

MARY C. BYERS.

Vinc, Pa., March 27, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my third attempt to write for the Children's Column. My pa takes the EVANGELIST, and I like to read the little letters from the children although some of them are not very little. I just came home from visiting my cousins and I had a very nice time. I would like to hear from some of my cousins and also from some of my Sunday School scholars through the paper. I am twelve years old. I go to school when there is school. Our school is out now, and I wish it would commence. We are making sugar and I was boiling sap this afternoon. We are going to organize a Sunday School next Sunday. I will close by answering May Statler's question: The longest verse in the Bible is found in Esther 8:9. I will close by asking a question. What book in the Bible does not mention the name God?

Good by,

PETER O. JACOBS.

March 26, 1887.

DEAR EDITOR:—I read all the little letters in your paper. My grandpa, S. C. Stump has gone to Elmwood, Neb., to hold meeting. E. L. Yoder our minister has gone to Carleton, Neb. Grandpa received a letter from Jno. Nicholson. He has gone to Norton, Kan. I will close by asking a question: Where is the shortest verse in the Bible found?

PEARL A. LUTZ.

Falls City, Neb.

DEAR EDITOR:—This is my first attempt to write for the EVANGELIST. I am ten years old. My papa and mamma belong to the Brethren church. My papa is a minister and just returned home from O. I go to school. I study Spelling, Reading, Arithmetic and Geography. I have one brother and two sisters. My grandpa and grandma came to see us. I love them and like to have them visit us. If I see this in print, I will write again.

Yours truly,

DORA E. SMOUSE.

Vinc, Pa., March 18, 1887.

OUR DEAD.

LEASE:—April 1st, 1887, Mrs. Martha Jane Lease, of consumption, aged 29 years. She was afflicted for two years, took her bed about Jan. 1st, last, and remained until released by death. Two weeks before she died she wanted to become a member of the Brethren church, and requested that Bro. W. W. Summers, of Manchester should come. So we called him by telephone. When he came the first words were, "I must die and I want to be taken in the church." So we sang a hymn, read a chapter, had prayers with her and received her into the church. In the admonition she gave her friends, she said I am so happy in Jesus. Meet me in heaven. Her nurse said from that time till death she had peace. She was laid beneath the cloud on Sunday in the Salem grave yard, after the funeral by Bro. William Summers, from Jer. 8:25. It was one of the largest funerals ever held at that place. She has gone to a place we all have to go. May we be able to leave the testimony she left: I am so happy in Jesus.

J. M. Fox.

Peru, Ind.

KRABILL:—Bro. David Krabill was born Nov. 3, 1806 in Osnaburg township, Stark county, Ohio, and died Jan. 21, 1887, aged 80 years, 2 months and 18 days. He was joined in matrimony with Jemima Boden, April 12, 1832. They were permitted thus to live together nearly fifty-five years. He was the father of ten children, six sons and four daughters, eight of them still live to mourn the loss of a kind father.

He moved from Stark county, O., in the spring of 1834 and settled in the north-western corner of Big Spring township, Seneca county, O. He was one of the pioneer fathers of this place. He united with the church of the Brethren in early life, and was a consistent and exemplary member to the day of his death. He was ever ready to contribute liberally to the carrying on of the great work of the church. He was closely attached to his home, and was never out of his native state. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, in the presence of a large concourse of sympathizing friends and neighbors. Peace to his ashes.

L. H. DICKEY.